GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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SETTING UP OF PUBLIC HEALTH INSTITUTE
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to set up a public health institute to provide training in public health to professionals and non-medical personnel;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether the Government is also considering to formulate schemes to accredit every hospital and clinic in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

(a) & (b) Keeping in view the policy of good public health professionals in the country, it is being explored as to how to strengthen the architecture of public health in India by establishing new institutes of public health of excellence of the level of IITs and IIMs and upscaling the existing institutions which provide training in public health. For this purpose, the Planning Commission has already accorded in principle approval for setting up of Public Health schools in India during the Tenth Five-Year Plan. Detailed action plan is being formulated.

(c) & (d) The Government of India is considering to enact a legislation prescribing minimum standards and specifications for hospitals, nursing homes and other clinical establishments. The proposed enactment would lay down norms for assessment, accreditation, inspection, certification and regulation of such clinical establishment.